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Comprising DNA Encoding The Same, Methods For
Producing The Same, And Methods For Producing
Optically Active Alcohol Utilizing The Same*

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified matter, please amend the application as follows: